## DuraLabel 9000

## **USER'S GUIDE**



## DuraLabel • 1

Graphic Products, Inc. | 800.788.5572

DuraLabel.com | GraphicProducts.com

## **Minimum System Requirements**

Operating System: Windows 2000 SP4, XP SP2, Vista, 7

Memory: 128 MB RAM Hard Drive: 100 MB

Additional Requirements: IT Administrator Privileges

#### **Supplies**

DuraLabel supplies and the DuraLabel® 9000 printer have been optimized for compatibility and print quality. *Use only DuraLabel supplies from Graphic Products* with your DuraLabel 9000 printer.



## 1. Introduction

Congratulations on the purchase of your **DuraLabel 9000 thermal transfer printer**. This guide will have you printing professional-quality labels and signs in no time!

The **DuraSuite Labeling Software** included with your printer expands your creative abilities, simplifies safety compliance and lets you produce labels and signs for virtually any application. Refer to the enclosed *DuraSuite Labeling Software User's Guide* for complete information.

Call us at **800.788.5572** with any questions about your DuraLabel 9000 printer. We're here to help with all your label and sign-making needs.



## 2. Table of Contents

1. Introduction	1
2. Table of Contents	2
3. Warranty	4
4. Loading the Printer	5
4.1 Printer Parts	5
4.2 Supplies	6
4.3 Loading Vinyl Supply	6
4.4 Printer Ribbon Parts	9
4.5 Loading Ribbon	10
5. Connecting the Printer	13
5.1 Inserting the Installation CD	13
5.2 Using a USB Cable	13
5.3 Using a Parallel Cable	15
5.4 Upgrading a Driver	18
6. Configuring Printer Drivers	19
6.1 Continuous Vinyl Printing Instructions	19
6.2 Die-Cut Label Printing Instructions	20
6.2.1 Label Supply Calibration	20
6.2.2 Driver Settings	20
6.2.3 Media Sensor Adjustment for Die-Cut Labels with Headers	21
6.2.4 Media Sensor Adjustment for RTK Color Bar Die-Cut Labels	
6.3 B Mark Label Printing Instructions	22
6.3.1 Label Supply Calibration	22
6.3.2 Driver Settings	23
6.3.3 Adjusting the B Mark Media Sensor	23
6.4 Cutting Labels in Intervals	23
6.5 Adjusting Print Speed	24
6.6 Adjusting Darkness	
7. Installing DuraSuite Labeling Software	
8. Label Creation	25
8.1 Label Creation with Your Word Processor	25
8.1.1 Using Templates	25
8.1.2 Setting up a Microsoft Word Document	25

9. Label Design	26
9.1 Text Boxes	26
9.1.1 Changing Text Box Size	26
9.1.2 Positioning Text Boxes	27
9.2 Graphics	28
9.3 Barcodes	29
9.3.1 Activating dBest Barcodes Toolbar Template in Microsoft Word	29
9.3.2 Using the dBest Barcodes Toolbar	30
9.3.3 Creating a Barcode Using the dBest Barcodes Toolbar	30
9.4 Merging Information, Sequencing Labels	30
9.4.1 Creating an Excel Spreadsheet	30
10. Configuring Ethernet Card	35
10.1 Setting an Ethernet Port using the Diagnostic Tool	35
10.2 Installing a Driver for the Ethernet Port	35
10.3 Manually Configuring the IP Address	38
10.4 Setting a Static IP	38
11. Cleaning and General Maintenance	39
11.1 Print Head	39
11.2 Cutter	40
11.3 Platen Roller	41
12. Troubleshooting	42
12.1 Speckles Appear Throughout Label	42
12.2 Solid Printed Line Appears Across Entire Label	42
12.3 Fading of Text/Graphics Occurs During Printing	42
12.4 Hash Marks Appear Throughout Printing	42
12.5 Unprinted Horizontal Lines Appear	43
12.6 LED Flashes Between Green "ON-LINE" and Red "ERROR"	43
12.7 Printer is Printing Labels but not Cutting Them	43
12.8 Receive a "No Ribbon" Error Message	44
12.9 Receive a "No Paper" or "Paper Jam" Error Message	44
12.10 Printer Cuts Labels Off-Center or into the Next Label	45
12.11 Wrinkles Appear on Half of Label	45
13. Specifications	48

## 3. Warranty

Graphic Products DuraLabel printers are warrantied to be free from defects in materials or workmanship for a period of three years from the date of purchase. Within this period, Graphic Products, Inc. will, at its sole option, repair or replace any components which



fail in normal use. Such repairs or replacement will be made at no charge to the purchaser for parts or labor, provided that the purchaser shall be responsible for any transportation cost. This warranty does not cover loss, damages from accident, or equipment or parts which have been misused, altered, neglected, carelessly handled, used for purpose other than those for which the printer was manufactured, or damages resulting from unauthorized service.

**NOTE:** Repairs have a 90 day warranty. If the unit sent in is still under its original warranty, then the new warranty is 90 days or to the end of the original warranty, depending upon which is longer.

The Warranties and remedies contained herein are exclusive and in lieu of all other warranties whether express, implied or statutory, including any liability arising under any warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, statutory or otherwise. This warranty gives the purchaser specific legal rights, which may vary from state to state.

In no event shall Graphic Products be liable for any incidental, special, indirect or consequential damages, whether resulting from the use, misuse or inability to use the product for any reason including defect. Some states do not allow the exclusion of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation may not apply in all areas.

Graphic Products retains the exclusive right within all warranty periods to repair, replace the product or offer a full refund of the purchase price at its sole discretion. Such remedy shall be the purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy for any breach of warranty.

General maintenance and cleaning of the DuraLabel printer is the purchaser's responsibility and is not covered by the warranty. Expendable items or parts such as label supply and ribbon are not covered by this warranty.

**NOTE:** Some DuraLabel printers require specific preparation such as removal of battery or power supply before shipping. Please contact your Graphic Products representatives to ensure correct return procedure: call 800.788.5572 or visit www.GraphicProducts.com. Graphic Products, Inc. shall not be responsible for any loss or damages incurred during shipping.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ DuraLabel.com 🕦 800.788,5572

## 4. Loading the Printer

DuraLabel ribbon and vinyl supplies have been optimized for compatibility and print quality. Only authorized DuraLabel supplies from Graphic Products will print correctly in the DuraLabel 9000 printer.

An instructional video demonstrating how to load DuraLabel ribbon and supplies is included on your installation CD.

#### 4.1. Printer Parts

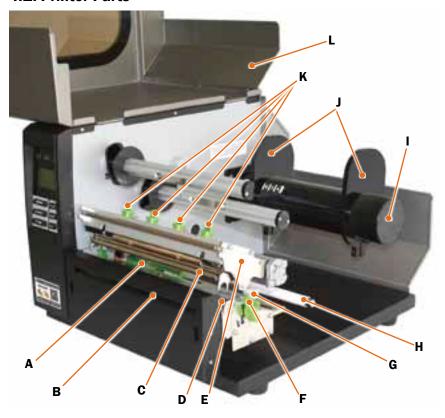


FIGURE 1 DuraLabel 9000 Printer Parts

- A. Media Sensor (green)
- B. Printed Label Opening
- C. Print Head
- **D.** Platen Roller (black)
- E. Print Head Mechanism
- **F.** Print Head Release Lever (green)

- **G.** Adjustable Media Guides (white)
- H. Media Guide Bar (metal)
- I. Supply Bar
- J. Supply Guides
- **K.** Adjustable Pressure Knobs (green)
- L. Printer Cover

800.788.5572 • DuraLabel.com \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **5** 

C.

#### 4.2 Supplies

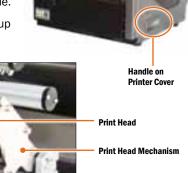
The DuraLabel 9000 ribbon and other media have been optimized for compatibility and print quality. Only authorized supplies from Graphic Products will print correctly in the DuraLabel 9000.

## 4.3 Loading Vinyl Supply

IMPORTANT! Always turn the printer OFF when loading supplies. Always wait at least 5 seconds before turning power back ON.

**NOTE:** Watch a demonstration of supply loading, viewable from your DuraLabel 9000 CD or at DuraLabel.com/duralabel-videos.

- A. Open the printer cover by lifting up on the handle.
- B. Push the green print head release lever to pop up the print head mechanism.



**Print Head** Release Lever FIGURE 2 Print head mechanism in the upright position

Remove and set aside the outside supply guide from the supply bar.

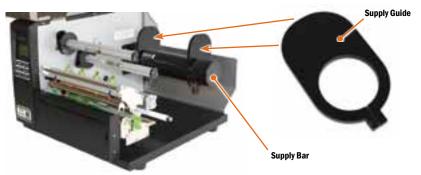


FIGURE 3 Supply guides on supply bar

- D. Adjust the inside supply guide to cover the number corresponding to the size of label supply being loaded (see photo below).
- E. Place the label supply onto the supply bar.

**NOTE:** Label supply should roll over the top and toward the front of the printer.



**FIGURE 4** The inside supply guide is set for 6" label supply.

**F.** Fit the outside supply guide onto the label bar, against the label supply but with enough room for the label supply to rotate with ease.

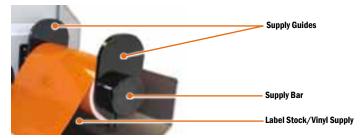


FIGURE 5 Loaded supply and outside supply guide placed on supply bar

**G.** Pull the leading edge of the label supply and thread it under the media guide bar and through the adjustable media guides.

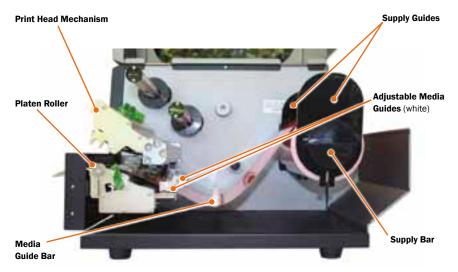


FIGURE 6 Loaded vinyl supply moving right to left.

**H.** Pull the label supply over the black platen roller and through the printed label opening.

**NOTE:** Make sure the label supply threads under the green media sensor, located under the print head.

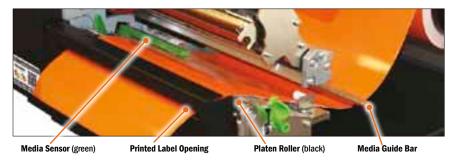


FIGURE 7 Vinyl properly loaded

**I.** Move the adjustable media guides to fit the width of the label supply, securing the label supply in place.

# Adjustable Media Guides (white)

FIGURE 8 Adjustable media guides fitted to width of vinyl supply



FIGURE 9 Guide fitted correctly



FIGURE 10 Guide not fitted correctly

#### 4.4 Printer Ribbon Parts

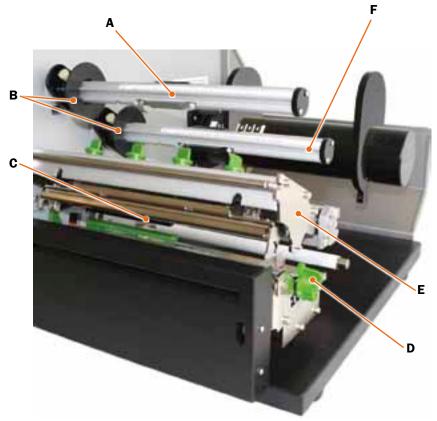


FIGURE 1 DuraLabel 9000 Parts for Loading Ribbon

- A. Ribbon Rewind Spindle (front)
- B. Ribbon Guides
- C. Ribbon Sensor (black)
- D. Print Head Release Lever (green)
- E. Print Head Mechanism
- F. Ribbon Spindle (back)

800.788.5572 **1** DuraLabel.com \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## 4.5 Loading Ribbon

IMPORTANT! Always turn the printer OFF when loading supplies. Always wait at least 5 seconds before turning power back ON.

- A. Set ribbon spindle guides based on loaded ribbon size.
  - a. For 4.33" ribbon, move each ribbon guide to the line indicated on the ribbon spindle and tighten the screw on the top of each ribbon guide.

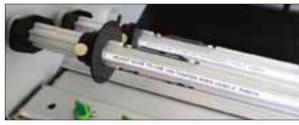


FIGURE 1 Guides for 4.33" ribbon

b. For 8.66" ribbon, move the ribbon guides against the inside printer wall.



FIGURE 2 Guides for 8.66" ribbon

**B.** Slide an empty supply core onto the front ribbon rewind spindle.

NOTE: Make sure the empty supply core is flush against the ribbon guide.

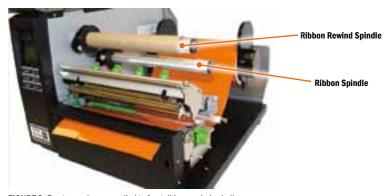


FIGURE 3 Empty supply core applied to front ribbon rewind spindle

**10** \_\_\_\_\_\_ DuraLabel.com → 800.788.5572

**C.** Slide a ribbon supply roll onto the ribbon spindle, flush against ribbon guide, with the leading edge hanging down toward the back of printer.







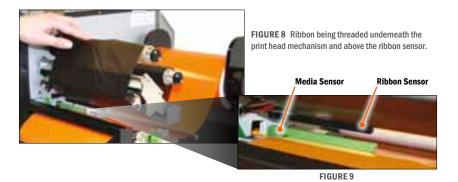
FIGURE 5 Loaded ribbon supply on ribbon spindle

**D.** Pull the leading edge of the ribbon supply toward the back of the printer to provide enough ribbon to go through the printer.



FIGURE 7 Ribbon supply pulled to back of printer

**E.** Pull it down and thread it underneath the print head mechanism and above the ribbon sensor (black bar above green media sensor).



- **F.** Tape the end of the ribbon supply to the front of the empty supply core.
- G. Roll the ribbon rewind spindle clockwise a few times toward the back of the printer to tighten the ribbon and remove flaws and fingerprints.



FIGURE 10 Ribbon being taped to front of supply core



FIGURE 11 Ribbon supply tightened

**H.** Press down to close, with a hand on each side of the print head mechanism.

NOTE: Make sure the print head release lever latches closed.



FIGURE 12 Closed print head mechanism

- I. Close the printer cover.
- **J.** Turn the printer ON.

**12** DuraLabel.com → 800.788.5572

## **5. Connecting the Printer**

Connect the power supply from the DuraLabel 9000 printer to an electrical outlet. Connect the USB or parallel cable from the DuraLabel 9000 to your PC and power ON the printer.

#### 5.1 Inserting the Installation CD

Before inserting the installation CD, refer to the instructions for the type of cable you're using. When using a USB cable, follow instructions in **Section 5.2**, **Using a USB Cable**. When using a parallel cable, follow instructions in **Section 5.3**, **Using a Parallel Cable**.

**NOTE:** When printing RTK, arc flash and other die-cut or B Mark labels, you must set up the printer driver and printer. Refer to **Section 6.2**, **Die-Cut Label Printing Instructions**, or **Section 6.3**, **B Mark Label Printing Instructions**.

### 5.2 Using a USB Cable

**NOTE:** You may need IT administrator privileges to install a driver.

**NOTE:** The following instructions are only for those using a USB cable. Skip to **Section 5.3. Using a Parallel Cable.** if installing manually.

**A.** Insert the DuraLabel 9000 Installation CD in your computer's disk drive. A **DuraLabel 9000 startup screen** appears.

**NOTE:** If the CD does not run automatically, go to **Start > Computer** and double-click on your CD/DVD drive, which should show the DLP icon.



FIGURE 1 DuraLabel 9000 Startup Screen

- **B.** Click on **Driver Wizard**, then click **Next** in the Driver Wizard window that appears.
- C. Click I Agree on the Windows Printer Driver License Agreement window that appears.



FIGURE 2 DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard



FIGURE 3 Windows Printer Driver License Agreement

- D. Select DuraLabel 9000 and click Next on the DuraLabel Driver Selection window that appears.
- E. Choose the install location and click Install on the Choose Install Location window that appears. An Installing window shows installation progress.

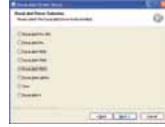


FIGURE 4 Selecting a DuraLabel Driver



FIGURE 5 Driver Install Location Window

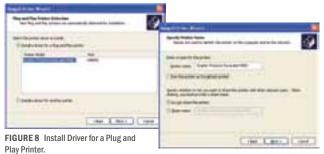
F. Select Install printer drivers\* on the Driver Wizard window that appears and click Next.

\*NOTE: You will receive a notice if a previous driver is found that should be removed. Please refer to **Section 5.4, Upgrading a Driver**, for instructions on uninstalling a driver.



FIGURE 7 Install Printer Driver Window

- G. A Plug and Play Detection window appears. Highlight Graphic Products DuraLabel 9000 and click Next.
- H. Enter printer name in the Printer name field in the Specify Printer Name window that opens; set it as the default printer by checking the box below the Printer name field. Choose a sharing option, then click Next.



**FIGURE 9** Specify Printer Name and Default and Sharing Status.

- Review information on the Completing the Seagull Driver Wizard window that appears. Click Finish if the information is correct. If it isn't, correct previous selections and click Finish when the information is correct.
- J. A Driver Wizard Completed Successfully window appears, confirming the printer driver installation was completed successfully. Now click Close.



FIGURE 10 Completing the Seagull Driver Wizard

K. The previous window closes and a Completing the DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard window appears. Click Finish to complete the new driver installation.



the DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard window.

The driver installation is now complete.

## 5.3 Using a Parallel Cable

**NOTE:** You may need IT administrative privileges to install a driver.

#### The following instructions are only for those using a parallel cable:

A. Insert the DuraLabel 9000 Installation
 CD in your computer's disk drive.
 A DuraLabel 9000 startup screen
 appears.

**NOTE:** If the CD does not run automatically, go to **Start > Computer** and double-click on your CD/DVD Drive, which should display the DLP icon.



FIGURE 1 DuraLabel 9000 Startup Screen

- **B.** Click on **Driver Wizard**, then click **Next** on the **Driver Setup Wizard** window that appears.
- C. Click I Agree on the Windows Printer Driver License Agreement window that appears.
- D. Select DuraLabel 9000 and click Next on the DuraLabel Driver Selection window that appears.



FIGURE 2 DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard



FIGURE 4 Selecting a DuraLabel Driver

E. Choose the install location and click Install on the Choose Install Location window that appears. An Installing window shows installation progress.

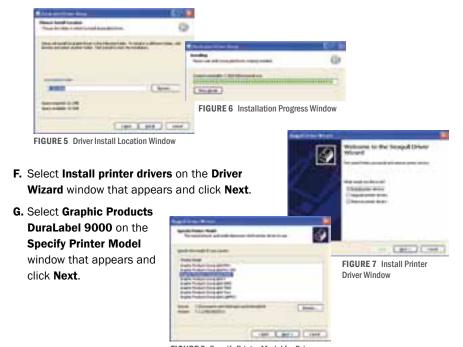
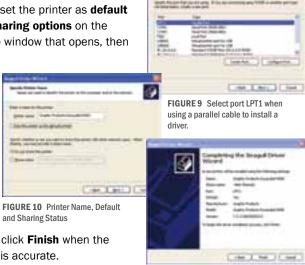


FIGURE 8 Specify Printer Model for Driver Installation

- H. Select the LPT1 port on the Specify Port window that appears and click Next.
- I. Select Printer Name, set the printer as default and choose printer sharing options on the Specify Printer Name window that opens, then click Next.
- J. Review information on the Completing the Seagull Driver Wizard window that opens and click Finish if the information is correct. If it isn't correct, revise the selections made



in previous steps and click Finish when the window's information is accurate.

- FIGURE 11 Completing the Seagull K. A Driver Wizard Completed Successfully **Driver Wizard** window appears, confirming the printer driver installation was completed successfully. Click Close.
- L. The previous window closes and a Completing the DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard window appears. Click Finish to complete the new driver installation.

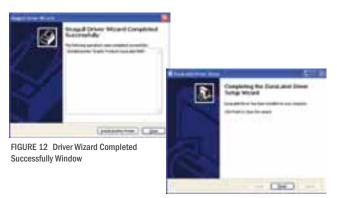


FIGURE 13 Click Finish on the Completing the DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard window. The driver installation is now complete.

800.788.5572 • DuraLabel.com

## 5.4 Upgrading a Driver

If you're upgrading from a previously installed driver, follow these steps to *uninstall* the previous driver:

- A. Insert the installation CD.
- B. Press the Uninstall Driver button on the installation screen.
- C. Click Remove printer drivers, then click Next.
- D. Click Use advanced printer driver removal options, then click Next.
- E. Check all existing DuraLabel printers, then click Next.
- F. Check all existing DuraLabel drivers, then click Next.
- G. Check all existing DuraLabel components, then click Next.
- H. Check the files associated with the deleted items you wish to remove, then click Next.
- I. Review the list provided, then click Finish.
- J. Click Restart.

The new DuraLabel 9000 printer driver may now be installed.

**NOTE:** If upgrading from an older driver, you may need to restart your computer during installation of the new driver.

**18** \_\_\_\_\_\_ DuraLabel.com → 800.788,5572

## 6. Configuring Printer Drivers

**IMPORTANT!** Perform the driver configuration before opening the document you plan to print or close any documents you currently have open before making these changes.

**A.** Click **Start > Devices and Printers\***. A **Devices, Printers and Faxes** window appears.

\*NOTE: If you do not find **Devices and Printers** in your **Start** menu, you can access it in your **Control Panel**.

- B. Right-click the Graphic Products DuraLabel 9000 icon and select Printing preferences. A Printing Preferences dialog box appears.
- C. Click the Page Setup tab and select Landscape or Portrait, depending on your label's orientation.
- D. If your label size is not shown in the Stock Name drop-down menu, click Edit and set the size to match your label size.

**NOTE:** Your DuraLabel 9000 printer drivers are preset to several print values. Please be aware that changing a preset value is not fully supported by all software programs. For best results, make changes to preset values from the **Devices and Printers** window.



FIGURE 1 Printing Preferences dialog box with Page Setup tab selected

#### **6.1 Continuous Vinyl Printing Instructions**

Your printer driver has been preset to common settings to reduce the steps needed to set them manually. You can change your settings by following these steps:

- **A.** Select the **Stock** tab, then select **Continuous** from the **Type** drop-down menu under "Media Settings."
- **B.** To cut after each label, select **Cut** from the **Post-Print Action** drop-down menu and select **After Every Page** from the **Occurrence** drop-down menu.
- **C.** To cut after each job, select **Cut** from the **Post-Print Action** drop-down menu and select **After Job** from the **Occurrence** drop-down menu.
- D. Click Apply.

These settings may be adjusted in **Printer Properties\*** when printing your labels.

\*NOTE: This will show as **Preferences** if accessing **File > Print** from **DuraSuite Labeling Software**.



Preferences dialog box, with Type set to "Continuous" and Occurrence set to "After Every Page" on the Stock tab



FIGURE 3 Set the Printing Preferences Occurrence menu to "After Job" to print multiple labels on a single length of supply.

#### **6.2 Die-Cut Label Printing Instructions**

#### 6.2.1 LABEL SUPPLY CALIBRATION

Label supply must be calibrated to print die-cut labels. Using the menu on the left side of the front of your printer, follow these steps:

- A. Press the Menu button.
- B. Select Setup.
- C. Select Sensor.
- D. Select Calibration.
- E. Select Gap Mode.
- F. Select Automatic.
- **G.** The printer will begin to feed supply as it calibrates.
- **H.** Follow directions in **Section 6.2.2, Driver Settings**.

#### **6.2.2 DRIVER SETTINGS**

Your printer driver has been preset to reduce the number of steps to be completed manually. You can change settings by following these steps:

- A. For die-cut labels, select Labels With Gaps from the Type drop-down menu.
- B. Set Gap Height to 0.12 inches and Gap Offset to 0 inches (default).
- C. Click Apply, then OK.



FIGURE 4 Printing Preferences dialog box, with Type set to "Labels With Gaps" on the Stock tab

FIGURE 5 If the printer does not cut correctly, adjust Feed Offset up or down.

**NOTE:** Ensure the printer cuts directly in the center of the gap by adjusting Feed Offset on the Printing Preferences dialog box Stock tab. The 0 default setting works best for most label supply.



#### 6.2.3 MEDIA SENSOR ADJUSTMENT FOR DIE-CUT LABELS WITH HEADERS

For optimum printing on die-cut labels, the media sensor needs to be adjusted either to the right or left.

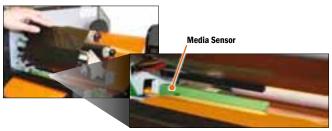


FIGURE 6 DuraLabel 9000 adjustable media sensor

For die-cuts with a pre-printed header at the top – such as arc flash or NFPA labels – the media sensor should be adjusted so the end is centered over the blank printable area of the label. Slide the media sensor until its end is located over the blank white printable area.

#### CORRECT



FIGURE 7 End of media sensor centered over printable area (white section of label)

#### INCORRECT



FIGURE 8 End of media sensor not centered over printable area

#### 6.2.4 MEDIA SENSOR ADJUSTMENT FOR RTK COLOR BAR DIE-CUT LABELS

For RTK color bar die-cuts with a blank printable area at the top, the media sensor should be adjusted so it's centered over the label's printable area. Slide the media sensor until its end is located over the blank white printable area.





FIGURE 9 End of media sensor centered over RTK color bar label printable area

## **6.3 B Mark Label Printing Instructions**

#### 6.3.1 LABEL SUPPLY CALIBRATION

Label supply must be calibrated to print B Mark labels. Using the menu on the left side of the front of your printer, follow these steps:

- A. Press the Menu button.
- B. Select Setup.
- C. Select Sensor.
- D. Select Calibration.
- E. Select B Mark Mode.
- F. Select Automatic.
- G. The printer will begin to feed supply as it calibrates.
- H. Follow directions in Section 6.3.2, Driver Settings.

DuraLabel.com 1 800.788.5572

#### 6.3.2 DRIVER SETTINGS

Your printer driver has been preset to reduce the number of steps to be completed manually. You can change your settings by following these steps:

- **A.** For B Mark labels, select **Labels With Marks** from the **Type** drop-down menu.
- B. Set Mark Height to 0.12 inches and Mark Offset to 0 inches (default).
- C. Click Apply, then OK.

**NOTE:** Ensure the printer cuts correctly on B Mark labels by adjusting Feed Offset on the Printing Preferences dialog box Stock tab. The O default setting works best for most label supply.

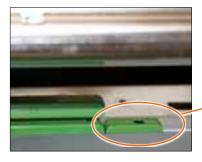


FIGURE 10 Printing Preferences dialog box, with Type set to "Labels With Marks" on the Stock tab



FIGURE 11 If the printer does not cut a B Mark label accurately, adjust Feed Offset up or down.

#### 6.3.3 ADJUSTING THE B MARK MEDIA SENSOR



To ensure the media sensor is correctly positioned, check the position of the mark on the back of the B Mark supply, then, if necessary, adjust the media sensor to ensure it is positioned under the supply mark.

#### Media Sensor

**FIGURE 12** Align the media sensor (circled) under your supply, ensuring it is in sight of the B Mark for proper alignment.

## **6.4 Cutting Labels in Intervals**

To cut labels in intervals, set "Occurrence" to **After Specified Interval**. Set the interval to the number of labels needed, then click **Apply** to save your settings.

rences dialog fter Specified the Stock tab

FIGURE 13 Printing Preferences dialog box, with Occurrence set to "After Specified Interval" on the Stock tab

## 6.5 Adjusting Print Speed



Choose print speed from the **Options** tab, clicking on the arrow to the right of the **Print Speed** drop-down menu. A 2" per-second setting is recommended.

FIGURE 14 Printing Preferences dialog box, with Options tab chosen

#### **6.6 Adjusting Darkness**

Change darkness settings from the **Options** tab, dragging the slider on the **Darkness** bar (see Figure 14). Darkness can be adjusted in single increments from 0 – 15. Keep the **Graphics Format** settings on **Automatic**.

Recommended Darkness Settings for Ribbon: (Print Speed Set at 2)								
Ribbon	Standard Black	White	Red	Blue	Green	Orange	Die-Cut Labels	
Darkness	5-8	5-8	5-8	5-8	5-8	5-8	9-12	

FIGURE 15 Adjust darkness settings to match your ribbon type and your printing needs.

When satisfied with all your settings, click **Apply**, then **OK**. Your driver is now set up and ready to create labels.

**NOTE:** You may need to change print settings to optimize the DuraLabel 9000 for printing with some ribbons and specialty supply. Higher speeds generally require higher darkness. If a ribbon wrinkles, lower the darkness. Increase darkness to ensure all ink is being transferred from the ink ribbon.

## 7. Installing DuraSuite Labeling Software

DuraSuite Labeling Software lets you create professional-quality pipe markers and arc flash, RTK, NFPA Diamond, GHS and custom labels, quickly and easily. Insert the DuraSuite Labeling Software installation CD in your computer's disk drive and follow the directions that appear on your screen. Refer to the DuraSuite Labeling Software User's Guide for additional information.

**NOTE:** You may need IT administrator privileges to perform this installation.

24 \_\_\_\_\_\_ DuraLabel.com 1 800.788,5572

#### 8. Label Creation

This section describes how to create labels using Microsoft® Word. Variations may occur among different versions of Word, but basic principles are the same. The DuraLabel 9000 is designed to work with any currently supported Windows software and should work with the software installed on your computer. Both Microsoft Word 2003 and 2010\* were used to describe procedures in this Guide.

**\*NOTE:** Navigation may vary depending on your version of Word, but the tools will be the same.

The information in this section assumes your printer has been properly installed and is connected in the online mode.

#### 8.1 Label Creation with Your Word Processor

DuraLabel 9000 printers operate off a standard Windows driver that allows access to a wide variety of software packages.

#### 8.1.1 USING TEMPLATES

IMPORTANT! If you do not follow this step, you will need to create all labels from scratch.

The DuraLabel 9000 provides a variety of templates you can install from the installation CD start-up screen. Click on **Install Templates & Symbols** and follow the instructions. When installation is complete, templates and symbols will be accessible from a folder titled **My Documents\DLP Templates & Symbols**.

To use a template, open Microsoft Word, select **Open** and browse the **DLP Templates & Symbols** folder. Any template you choose has been set up to print correctly on the DuraLabel 9000 printer with minimal augmentation.

#### 8.1.2 SETTING UP A MICROSOFT WORD DOCUMENT

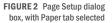
When opening a document, change size and margins to match your label's size. (Word processors default to 8.5" x 11".) Click on the **File** menu, then **Page Setup**. Click the **Margins** tab on the **Page Setup** dialog box that appears. **Set all Margins to 0** to print on the entire supply.



FIGURE 1 Page Setup dialog box, with Margins tab selected

Set **Orientation** to **Portrait** if label **width** is the same dimension as the **supply width** loaded in your printer. Set orientation to **Landscape** if label **height** is the same as the **supply width** loaded in your printer. Click **OK** when done.

Now select the **Paper** tab and set the **Paper size** to the size label you want to create. Either the Width or Height should match the width of supply loaded in your printer.





## 9. Label Design

#### 9.1 Text Boxes

Text boxes let you position text anywhere on a document. They can have borders and be filled with color, or have no borders and be transparent. They're ideal for grouping text and graphics. You can format text within the text box to whatever size and style you choose.

Add a text box by clicking **Insert** on the Word toolbar, then click **Text Box**. A menu appears displaying several text box templates. Click **Draw Text Box** at the bottom of the menu, then draw a square on the blank page where you would like the text box to appear.



A text box with eight small boxes (handlebars) along its border appears at the location you clicked. You can begin entering text immediately. The text box expands as you enter text.

FIGURE 1 Text box with eight "handlebars"

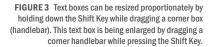
**NOTE:** Right-clicking on a text box allows you to edit some of its properties.

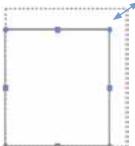
#### 9.1.1 CHANGING TEXT BOX SIZE

The "handlebars" let you change text box size. Click on a handlebar and drag it until the text box is the desired size. Dragging a middle-top or middle-side handlebar changes the width or height of the text box. Dragging a corner handlebar lets you change width and height simultaneously.

FIGURE 2 Text box lengths and widths can be changed by dragging a handlebar until the text box is the size you want.

**NOTE:** Pressing the **Shift Key** while dragging a corner handlebar changes a text box's width and height proportionately.





#### 9.1.2 POSITIONING TEXT BOXES

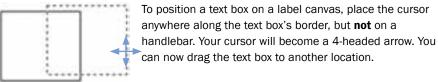


FIGURE 4 Placing your cursor along a text box border creates a 4-headed arrow. You can now move the text box by dragging it with your mouse.

If you don't want the text box border to print on your label, double-click on a corner of the text box. A **Format** tab opens on your computer's menu bar\*. Click **Shape Outline**, then select **No Outline** from the options that appear.

\*Describes Word 2007 or Word 2010 procedure

the text box tool.



**NOTE:** If you choose not to use a text box for your text, you will still be able to print your label, although you will not be able to move your text or graphics freely. Consult your word processor's **help** file for more detailed information about using

#### 9.2 Graphics

To insert a symbol on your Word document, select **Picture** from your **Insert** tab, browse for the symbol you want to add, select it, then click **Insert**. The symbol now appears on your Word document. Move and resize symbols as necessary.

NOTE: Graphic Products provides you with industrial safety symbols in the **DL9**Templates and Symbols folder on your **DuraLabel 9000 CD**. Run the CD, then click on **Install Templates & Symbols** on the **DuraLabel 9000 Startup Screen** that opens. You can store the Templates and Symbols folder in any convenient location on your computer.

FIGURE 1 Access Templates and Symbols by clicking the Install Templates & Symbols button on your DuraLabel 9000 Startup Screen.

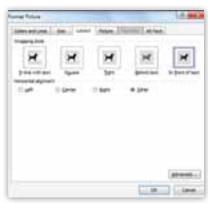
compliance.

HELPFUL HINT When determining a symbol's size, make it large enough to be recognized from a reasonable distance and check regulatory requirements to ensure

**To freely position** an image or symbol, right-click on it and select **Format Picture** from the context menu that appears. Select the **Layout** tab on the **Format Picture** dialog box that now appears and choose the "**In front of text**" text wrapping option.



FIGURE 2 Context drop-down menu, with Format Picture selected



Direct shell 9000

FIGURE 3 Position an image on a document by choosing "In front of text" from the Format Picture dialog box.

DuraLabel.com • 800.788.5572

#### 9.3 Barcodes

IMPORTANT! The dBest barcode program is compatible only with 32-bit Microsoft® Windows operating systems.

**NOTE:** Be sure to select the dBest Barcode package from your installation CD. If it isn't installed, you won't be able to view or print barcodes within a template.

The barcode program included on your printer's CD displays and prints barcodes from Windows-based word processing programs. When the CD startup screen appears, click on **Install dBest Barcode Package** and follow the instructions. Technical information can be accessed at **Barcode Font Library > Programmers Guide**.

**NOTE:** The dBest Font Library supports 11 standard barcode styles: Code 39, Extended Code 39, Interleaved 2/5, Code 128, UCC 128, Codabar, UPC A, UPC E, EAN 8, EAN 13 and PostNet. Each supports different sets of ASCII characters and is used for different situations or industrial applications. Code 39 supports uppercase, numeric and incidental characters, while Interleaved 2/5 supports numeric data in a compressed format. Choose a barcode style based on the type of data you need to support or for your applications-based requirements.

#### 9.3.1 ACTIVATING dBEST BARCODES TOOLBAR TEMPLATE IN MICROSOFT WORD

- A. Open the Word document you want to place your barcodes in.
- **B.** Select **Tools > Document Template** from the Word menu bar.
- C. A Templates and Add-ins dialog box appears.
- D. Click ADD and locate bcfonts.dot in the bcfont main directory (C:\bcfont\ msoffice\).
- **E.** Select **bcfonts.dot** and click **OK**. The **bcfonts.dot** file should appear on the **Global templates and add-ins** list. Be sure the checkbox is checked.
- **F.** Click **OK** to exit and return to your document. The toolbar should now appear in your workspace.

If you do not see the dBest Barcodes toolbar, run it as a macro:

- A. Select Tools > Macro > Macros from the Word menu bar.
- **B.** A window will appear with a list: **Macros In: All Active Templates & Documents.**
- C. Select Barcode Toolbar and click Run.



FIGURE 1 Templates and Add-ins dialog box

**NOTE:** To display the toolbar each time you start Word, go to **Start > Search programs and files** and enter **BCFONT**, then click **OK**. When the file is found, click on it and choose **copy**. Next, go to the **C:/Program Files/Microsoft Office/Office/Start up/** folder, right-click inside the folder and select **paste**.

#### 9.3.2 USING THE dBEST BARCODES TOOLBAR

Enter the characters for the barcode you want to create in the **Barcode String** field of the **dBest Barcode Fonts toolbar**. After entering the information, press **Enter** to save. If you do not save, the entry will revert to the previous barcode string.

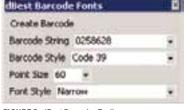


FIGURE 2 dBest Barcodes Toolbar

- The Barcode String drop-down menu displays previous strings that have been used.
- The Barcode Style drop-down menu lets you select a variety of barcode styles supported by the dBest Barcodes Font Library.
- The Point Size drop-down menu lets you determine the barcode size. Include custom sizes by entering the size and pressing Enter to save.
- The Font Style drop-down menu lets you select six different font widths for each supported barcode style: three high-density and three normal-density.

#### 9.3.3 CREATING A BARCODE USING THE dBEST BARCODES TOOLBAR

Once the dBest Barcodes toolbar fields are complete you're ready to create a barcode to place in your Word document:

- **A.** Place cursor where you want the barcode to appear (you can use a tool box).
- **B.** Click **Create Barcode** on the dBest Barcodes toolbar. The barcode will appear where you placed your cursor.

#### 9.4 Merging Information, Sequencing Labels

Follow these steps to effectively create and efficiently organize labeling projects.

#### 9.4.1 CREATING AN EXCEL SPREADSHEET

Successful labeling projects often involve merging Microsoft® Word and Excel documents to produce well-coordinated, sequentially organized groupings of labels.

30 \_\_\_\_\_\_ DuraLabel.com ) 800.788,5572

Start by opening an Excel document, placing **column headers** in the first row (Fig. 1). For this example we use **Part Numbers** and **Descriptions** (Fig. 2).



FIGURE 2 Excel document with headers

A. Enter your first two sequential numbers in cells A2 and A3 (Fig. 3). Select cells A2 and A3 and place your cursor over the little box in the lower-right corner of the selection. Your cursor becomes a "+." Now click and drag the selection down the number of cells equal to the number of labels in the sequence (Fig. 4).

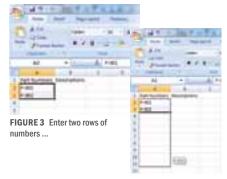


FIGURE 4 ... then drag your cursor the number of cells equal to the total number of labels in your sequence.

- **B.** All the column's numbers will sequence the same as the sequence used in the first two rows (Fig. 5). This example reflects 10 labels, with a sequence of 1.
- **C.** Now enter the data for **Column B**, e.g., Descriptions, that relates to the data in corresponding rows of Column A (Fig. 6).



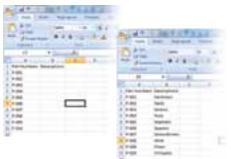


FIGURE 6 Enter data under Column B that relates to the data on the corresponding row of Column A.

- D. When all your data has been entered in the Excel spreadsheet, name and save your document in a location where you can easily find it. Consider placing it in a folder with other project documents. Close your Excel document after naming and saving it. You'll come back to it shortly.
- E. Now open the Word template you want to import your Excel data into. In Figure 7 the static text "Part Number:" and "Description:" are already typed in. Now place your cursor where you want to insert your data.
- F. Select the Mailings tab from the Word menu bar, then click on Select Recipients and Use Existing List (Fig. 8). A Select Data Source window appears (Fig.9).



FIGURE 7 Word document ready to receive data from an Excel spreadsheet

FIGURE 8 Choose "Select Recipients" and "Use Existing List" from the Mailings tab.



FIGURE 9 Navigate the Select Data Source window to access your Excel file.

- **G.** Locate and select the **Excel spreadsheet** you just saved using the **Select Data Source** window (Fig. 9). A **Select Table** dialog box appears (Fig. 10).
- H. Select the Excel Spreadsheet page where your data is located, e.g., Sheet 1, on the Select Table dialog box. The Select Table dialog box closes when you make your selection.
- Now click on the bottom half of the Insert Merge Field button on your Word toolbar (Fig. 11). The names of your column headers will be displayed.
- J. Select Column A header. A Column A space-holder (<<Part\_Numbers>>) appears next to the Column A header (Fig. 12).



FIGURE 10 Select the Excel sheet number where your data is located from the Select Table dialog box.



FIGURE 11 Bottom half of the Insert Merge Field button selected, with column header names displayed.



FIGURE 12 Word document ready to receive data from Excel Column A.

**K.** Select **Column B header**. A **Column B space-holder** (<< Descriptions>>) appears next to the Column B header (Fig. 13).



FIGURE 13 Word document ready to receive data from Excel Column B.

- L. Select Preview Results from the Word toolbar. A View Merged Data window should appear (Fig. 14).
- **M.** With the **Go to Record** set at **1**, the **first label** in a sequence should now appear on the Word template (Fig. 15).



**FIGURE 14** Click Preview Results to display View Merged Data window.

in . From 25 day man heap

FIGURE 15 First label in a sequence, with content imported from an Excel spreadsheet.

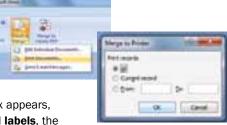
N. Click on the Next Record arrow to display the next label in the sequence (Fig. 16).



FIGURE 16 Word template with Next Record arrow selected and second label in the sequence displayed.

Now click the Finish & Merge button, then click Print Documents from the dropdown menu that appears (Fig 17).

FIGURE 17 Click Print Documents from the Finish & Merge drop-down menu to start the process of printing sequenced labels.



P. A Merge to Printer selection box appears, offering the option of printing all labels, the current record, or specifying a range (Fig. 18). Check the appropriate button.

**FIGURE 18** Select labels for printing from the Merge to Printer window.

- Q. Select a DuraLabel Printer from the Print dialog box that appears (Fig. 19).
- R. If you would like to save a separate completed merged document containing every page in a single file, select the **Auto Check for Errors** button under the "Mailings" tab (Fig. 20).



FIGURE 20 Check for errors before printing your labels using the Auto Check for Errors tool.

- S. A Checking and Reporting Errors window now appears. Leave the second option selected and click OK (Fig. 21). Your labels are displayed on a single document for your review (Fig. 22).
- T. View your labels in sequence on the Word display that appears. If they are ready to print, go to File, then click Print. Your labels print as they appeared.



FIGURE 19 Select the DuraLabel Printer you want to print your sequenced labels with from the Print dialog box.



FIGURE 21 The Checking and Reporting Errors window lets you decide how and when you want to receive error messages.

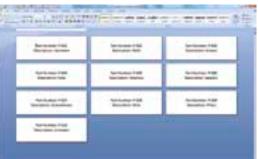


FIGURE 22 Your labels are displayed in sequence prior to printing.

# 10. Configuring Ethernet Card

The internal Ethernet card can be configured using the front display panel buttons and LCD on the DuraLabel 9000.

The **Menu** button on the front display panel will provide access to the printer menu. Use the **UP** and **DOWN** buttons to navigate through the menu. To enter data, use the **UP** button to increment the highlighted digit by 1. The **DOWN** button will shift one over and highlight the next digit. Pressing **SELECT** will accept the selection. Pressing **MENU** will take you to the previous screen.

## 10.1 Setting an Ethernet Port using the Diagnostic Tool

Use the following steps to set a port with the diagnostic tool:

- **A.** Open **My Computer**, then right-click on the **DuraLabel 9000 disk icon** and select **Open**.
- **B.** Double-click on the DiagTool\_128.exe to run the tool.
- C. Click on Ethernet Setup from the Printer Function buttons on the left side.
- D. On the Ethernet Setup window, select DHCP or set a specific Static IP, Subnet Mask and Gateway. Click Set IP. The printer will restart with the new settings.

# 10.2 Installing a Driver for the Ethernet Port

Follow these steps to install a driver for use with the Ethernet port:

- A. Insert the DuraLabel 9000 Installation CD in your computer's disk drive. A DuraLabel 9000 startup screen appears.
- B. Click on Driver Wizard, then click Next on the Driver Setup Wizard window that appears.
- C. Click I Agree on the Windows Printer Driver License Agreement window that appears.



FIGURE 1 DuraLabel 9000 Startup Screen



FIGURE 2 DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard



FIGURE 3 Windows Printer Driver License Agreement

- D. Select DuraLabel 9000 and click Next on the DuraLabel Driver Selection window that appears.
- E. Choose the install location and click Install on the Choose Install Location window that appears. An Installing window shows installation progress.

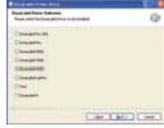


FIGURE 4 Selecting a DuraLabel Driver



FIGURE 5 Driver Install Location Window

- F. Select Install printer drivers on the Driver Wizard window that appears and click Next.
- G. Select Graphic Products DuraLabel 9000 on the Specify Printer Model window that appears and click Next.







FIGURE 8 Specify Printer Model Window

- **H.** Click **Create Port** on the **Specify Port** window that appears. A **Create Port** selection box will now appear.
- I. Select Standard

  TCP/IP Port on
  the Create Port
  selection box and
  click New Port.



FIGURE 10 Create Port Selection Box

- J. The Add Standard TCP/IP Printer Port Wizard appears. Click Next.
- K. Enter the IP Address and Port Name in the Add Port dialog box that appears, then click Next.
- L. An Additional Port Information Required window now opens. Select Standard: Generic Network Card under Device Type and click Next.



FIGURE 11 Add Standard TCP/IP Printer
Port Wizard



FIGURE 13 Additional Port Information Required Window

- M. Make sure the port information is correct on the Completing the Add Standard TCP/IP Printer Port Wizard window that appears, then click Finish.
- N. Select the newly created port on the SpecifyPort window that now appears, then click Next.
- Select Printer Name, set the printer as default and choose printer sharing options on the Specify Printer Name window that opens, then click Next.



FIGURE 14 Completing the Add Standard TCP/IP Printer Port Wizard Window



FIGURE 16 Specify Printer Name Window

- P. Review the information on the Completing the Seagull Driver Wizard window that opens and click Finish if the information is correct. If it isn't correct, revise the selections made in previous steps and click Finish when the window's information is accurate.
- Q. A Driver Wizard Completed Successfully window appears, confirming the printer driver installation was completed successfully. Click Close.



FIGURE 17 Completing the Seagull Driver Wizard Window

**R.** The previous window closes and a **Completing the DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard** window appears. Click **Finish** to complete the new driver installation.



FIGURE 19 Completing the DuraLabel Driver Setup Wizard Window

# 10.3 Manually Configuring the IP Address

- A. Press the MENU button.
- B. Select Main Menu.
- C. Select Setup.
- **D.** Navigate to **Ethernet**, then press **SELECT**.
- E. Select DHCP or Static IP.

# 10.4 Setting a Static IP

- A. Highlight Static IP and press SELECT.
- B. Set the IP address using the UP, DOWN, MENU and SELECT buttons as described earlier.

DuraLabel.com 1 800.788.5572

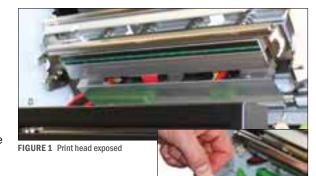
# 11. Cleaning and General Maintenance

IMPORTANT! Always turn the printer OFF before cleaning, performing maintenance or loading supplies. Always wait at least 5 seconds before turning the power back ON.

Basic cleaning of print head, cutter and platen roller will prolong the printer's life and help produce crisp, clear labels and signs. Refer to Section 4.1, Printer Parts, for additional cleaning and maintenance information.

#### 11.1 Print Head

- A. Pop up the print head mechanism by pressing on the print head release lever, then remove any loaded supplies.
- **B.** Use a pair of scissors or a blade to separate any ribbon from the ribbon spindles.



- C. Place a cleaning swab between your forefinger and thumb and squeeze until it snaps. Alcohol will be distributed to the cotton side of the swab.
- **D.** Run the swab back and forth across the print head several times to remove any built-up adhesive, ribbon residue or dust particles.
- **E.** Clean the front and underside of the print head.

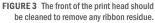




FIGURE 2 Opening a cleaning swab



FIGURE 4 The entire outlined area should be cleaned.

#### 11.2 Cutter

- A. Open the DuraLabel 9000 cover.
- **B.** Rewind any loaded supply away from the cutting mechansim.
- C. Using a magnetic screwdriver, remove the two recessed screws. on the front of the cutting mechanism.
- **D.** Lift up the cutting mechansim slightly and pull it away from the printer body.

E. Place a cleaning swab between your forefinger and thumb and squeeze until it snaps. Alcohol will be distributed to the cotton side of the swab.



FIGURE 5 Remove the recessed screws, shown inside the circles.



cutting blades



- F. Run the swab back and forth several times across all sides of the cutting mechanism's cutting blades to remove any buildup of labeling adhesive.
- **G.** Attach the cutting mechanism to the front of the printer and tighten the screws.



FIGURE 8 Cleaning blades inside cutter mechanism

#### 11.3 Platen Roller

- **A.** Place a cleaning swab between your forefinger and thumb and squeeze until it snaps. Alcohol will be distributed to the cotton side of the swab.
- **B.** Run the swab back and forth across the platen roller several times to remove any buildup. Rotate the platen roller to clean all sides of the roller.



FIGURE 9 Cleaning Platen Roller

**C.** Give the platen roller a couple minutes to dry, then reload your ribbon and supply. Your DuraLabel 9000 is now cleaned and ready to use.

**NOTE:** To maintain optimal performance, the DuraLabel 9000 printer should be cleaned after every two rolls of supply. The print head, cutter mechanism and platen roller should be cleaned with alcohol swabs to remove buildup of adhesive, dust and other substances. Always turn the printer OFF before cleaning, performing maintenance or loading supplies.

# 12. Troubleshooting

The following solutions address some of the most common printing challenges. Please call Graphic Products for free customer support.

#### 12.1 Speckles Appear Throughout Label

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Supply has not been stored properly and dirt has contaminated the supply. **Solution:** Replace the label supply if the problem persists after the first few prints. Store supplies in a dust-free environment.



FIGURE 1 Dirty vinyl supply

#### 12.2 Solid Printed Line Appears Across Entire Label

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Print head is damaged. **Solution:** Contact customer service at 800.788.5572.



FIGURE 2 Bad print head

#### 12.3 Fading of Text/Graphics Occurs During Printing

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The darkness is set too low. **Solution:** Increase the darkness.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The print speed is set too high. **Solution:** Decrease the print speed (see Section 6.5, Adjusting Print Speed).



FIGURE 3 Incorrect print settings

## 12.4 Hash Marks Appear Throughout Printing

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The darkness is set too high. **Solution:** Decrease the darkness.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The print speed is set too low. **Solution:** Adjust the darkness setting. If this does not eliminate or satisfactorily reduce the hash marks, increase the print speed (see Section 6.5, Adjusting Print Speed).



FIGURE 4 Incorrect print settings

#### 12.5 Unprinted Horizontal Lines Appear

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** If the horizontal lines run partially through the label, there may be foreign particles on the print head.

Solution: Clean the print head.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** If horizontal lines run through the entire label (Fig. 5), the print head is defective.

Solution: Replace the print head.



FIGURE 5 Burnt-out pixel

#### 12.6 LED Flashes Between Green "ON-LINE" and Red "ERROR"

POSSIBLE CAUSE: Printer doesn't recognize supply.

**Solution: A.** Turn printer **OFF**.

**B.** Turn printer back **ON** and try printing again.

POSSIBLE CAUSE: Supply roll may be defective.

Solution: Replace supply roll.

- **A.** If printer begins working, previous supply roll was defective.
- **B.** Call Graphic Products for return instructions and replacement.

## 12.7 Printer is Printing Labels but not Cutting Them

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Your printer is looking for gaps but it's printing to a continuous roll.

**Solution:** Follow these steps:

- **A.** Save the template you're using and close any labeling program.
- B. Open Devices and Printers in your Start menu.
- C. Right-click on the Graphic Products DuraLabel 9000 icon and select Printing Preferences.
- D. Select the Stock tab.
- E. Set Type to Continuous.
- F. Click OK.
- **G.** Reopen your template and try printing again.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** You may be using pre-printed labels with gaps your printer doesn't see.

**Solution:** Follow these steps:

- A. Ensure the Stock tab is set to Labels with Gaps.
- **B.** Open the printer cover.
- **C.** Ensure label guides are closed around label supply.
- D. Check that Media Sensor Bar is positioned properly. Refer to Section 6.2.3, Media Sensor Adjustment for Die-Cut Labels with Headers.
- E. Calibrate label supply:
  - a. Press the Menu button.
  - b. Select Setup.
  - c. Select Sensor.
  - d. Select Calibration.
  - e. Select Gap Mode.
  - f. Select Automatic.
  - g. Follow directions in Section 6.2.2, Driver Settings.
- **F.** Close printer cover.
- **G.** Try printing again, with printer set to **Labels with Gaps**.

#### 12.8 Receive a "No Ribbon" Error Message

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Ribbon is loaded incorrectly.

Solution: Refer to Section 4.5, Loading Ribbon, in this Guide.

## 12.9 Receive a "No Paper" or "Paper Jam" Error Message

POSSIBLE CAUSE: Vinyl is loaded incorrectly.

**Solution:** Follow these steps:

- A. Ensure vinyl is loaded correctly.
- B. Initialize printer, recalibrate, and try printing again.
- C. To initialize, press Menu, then select Initialization. When asked Yes or No press Initialize one more time to initialize the printer. Recalibrate per instructions in Section 6.2.1 for die-cut label supply, or Section 6.3.1 for B Mark label supply.
- **D.** Call Graphic Products if printing issue persists.

4 \_\_\_\_\_\_ DuraLabel.com → 800.788.5572

#### 12.10 Printer Cuts Labels Off-Center or into the Next Label

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Feed Offset is not on correct setting. **Solution:** Adjust Feed Offset to proper setting.



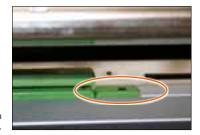


Die-cut and B Mark labels cut correctly (I) ... and cut off-center (r)

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Media sensor is reading B Mark **label content**.

**Solution:** Move media sensor to edge of the supply, away from any printed content, but still positioned under the supply.

If your B Mark labels are printing off-center, align the media sensor under supply but away from any printed content.



# **12.11** Wrinkles Appear on Half of Label

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The ribbon wrinkles due to uneven print head pressure.

**Solution:** Set the adjustable pressure knobs. Increasing the pressure sometimes helps reduce unprinted specks, as well.



FIGURE 1 Ribbon wrinkled

#### SETTING LEFT ADJUSTABLE PRESSURE KNOBS

For wrinkles on the right side of the printed label, set the two left adjustable pressure knobs.



FIGURE 2

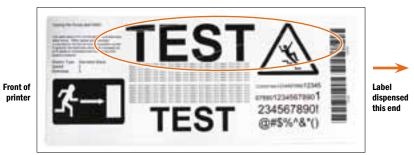


FIGURE 3 Ribbon wrinkled on right side

- A. Press down on the far-left adjustable pressure knob while turning it clockwise to the desired pressure setting.
- B. Press down on the adjacent left adjustable pressure knob while turning it clockwise to the same pressure setting as the far-left pressure knob.





it clockwise.

FIGURE 4 Press down adjustable pressure knob while turning FIGURE 5 Left adjustable pressure knobs set

NOTE: You may need to experiment to determine best setting, based on type of label or sign.

#### SETTING RIGHT ADJUSTABLE PRESSURE KNOBS

For wrinkles on the **left side** of the printed label, set the **two right adjustable pressure knobs**.



FIGURE 6 Ribbon wrinkled on left side

- **A.** Press down on the **far-right adjustable pressure knob** while turning it clockwise to the desired pressure setting (see Fig. 4).
- **B.** Press down on the **adjacent right adjustable pressure knob** while turning it clockwise to the same pressure setting as the far-right pressure knob.



# 13. Specifications

#### 13.1 Printer

• Type: Thermal Transfer

• Print Speed: Selectable, 2" or 3" per second

• Resolution: 300 DPI

Maximum Print Width: 8.64"
Maximum Print Length: 100"

#### 13.2 Indicators and Buttons

• Indicators: POWER, ON-LINE, ERROR

• Buttons: MENU, UP, PAUSE, DOWN, FEED, SELECT, POWER

#### 13.3 Communication Interface

• Communications: USB 2.0, RS-232C and Centronics

• Memory: 8MB Flash memory, 32 MB SDRAM, SD Flash memory card slot

#### **13.4 Power Requirements**

• Input Voltage: Switching power, 115 VAC/230VAC, 5A/3A, 50 - 60 HZ

Worldwide Voltage Compatibility

#### 13.5 Environment

Operating Temperature: 41° F - 140° F (5° C - 40° C)

• Operation Humidity: 20% – 85% non-condensing

• **Storage Temperature:** -4° F - 122° F (-18° C - 50° C)

• Storage Humidity: 5% - 90% non-condensing

Ventilation: Free air movement

48 \_\_\_\_\_\_ DuraLabel.com 1 800.788,5572

## 13.6 Label Supply

• Type: Continuous, B Mark and Die-Cut

• Width: 4" - 9"

• Gap Height: 0.12"

• B Mark Height: 0.12"

#### 13.7 Ribbon Supply

• Type: Wax, Wax/Resin, Resin

• Capacity: 984' with 1" core

# 13.8 Printer Body

• Dimensions: 13" (H) x 18.5" (W) x 21.65" (L)

For more specifications, please call 800.788.5572 to speak with a representative.

#### **Copyright Information**

No part of this guide, including the products and software described in it, may be reproduced, transmitted, transcribed, stored in a retrieval system, or translated into any language in any form or by any means, except as documentation kept by the purchaser for backup purposes, without the express written permission of Graphic Products, Inc.

Products and corporate names appearing in this guide may or may not be registered trademarks or copyrights of their respective companies, and are used only for identification or explanation and to the owners' benefit, without intent to infringe.

Specifications and other content contained in this guide are furnished for informational use only and are subject to change at any time without notice, and should not be construed as a commitment by Graphic Products. Graphic Products assumes no responsibility or liability for any errors or inaccuracies that may appear in this guide.

800.788,5572 DuraLabel.com \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# DuraLabel 1

Graphic Products, Inc. | 800.788.5572

DuraLabel.com | GraphicProducts.com

© 2008 - 2013 Graphic Products, Inc. All Rights Reserved

